

## REMARKS

Claims 1-31 were pending in the application.

In the office action of December 24, 2009, claims 6-13 and 22-29 were deemed to contain allowable subject matter.

Without conceding the merits of the rejections of claims presented in the office action, claims 6 and 22 have been placed in independent form, and claims 1-5, 14-21, 30 and 31 have been cancelled.

Accordingly since only allowable claims 6-13 and 22-29 remain in the application, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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